

**MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE
ON ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY**

Wednesday, November 7, 2007 9:00 a.m. Room 519 House Office Building, Lansing

Representative Accavitti, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Accavitti, Mayes, Angerer, Brown, Clemente, Ebli, Hammon, Hopgood, Lemmons, Lindberg, Melton, Miller, Nofs, Palsrok, Garfield, Huizenga, Moolenaar, Horn, Opsommer. (19/19)

Representative Angerer made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of October 10, 2007. No objections being offered, the minutes were adopted by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid the following bills before the Committee.

HB 5383	Brown	Public utilities; electric utilities; electric cooperative member-regulation act; create.
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HB 5384	Nofs	Energy; other; energy employment act; revise.
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Representative Brown reviewed the contents of HB 5383 with the Committee.

Mike Peters, representing the Michigan Electric Cooperative Association (MECA), spoke to the Committee in support of HB 5383.

Tony Anderson, representing the Cherryland Electric Cooperative, spoke to the Committee in support of HB 5383.

Gail Peterson, representing the Alger Delta Cooperative, spoke to the Committee in support of HB 5383.

Greg Clark, representing the Indiana Power Company, submitted a card indicating a neutral position on the substitute for HB 5383.

Representative Mayes made a motion to adopt HB 5383 (H-1).

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Accavitti, Mayes, Angerer, Brown, Ebli, Hammon, Hopgood, Lemmons, Lindberg, Melton, Miller, Nofs, Palsrok, Garfield, Moolenaar, Horn, Opsommer. (17/19)

Nays: None. (0/19)

Pass: None. (0/19) (17/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Ebli made a motion to report HB 5383 (H-1) with recommendation.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Accavitti, Mayes, Angerer, Brown, Ebli, Hammon, Hopgood, Lemmons, Lindberg, Melton, Miller, Nofs, Palsrok, Garfield, Moolenaar, Horn, Opsommer. (17/19)

Nays: None. (0/19)

Pass: None. (0/19) (17/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Nofs explained the provisions of HB 5384 for the Committee.

Jim Weeks, representing the Michigan Municipal Electric Association, spoke in support of HB 5384.

Cards indicating support for HB 5384 were submitted by:

Dan Cooper, representing the Michigan Public Power Agency
Glen White, representing the Michigan South Central Power Agency
Jerry Rupley, representing the Michigan South Central Power Agency
Pete Ellsworth, representing the Michigan Public Power Agency
Mike Peters, representing the Michigan Electric Cooperative Association

Representative Brown made a motion to amend HB 5384 as follows:

1. Amend page 11, line 15, after "article 3" by striking out the period and inserting "of this act and of the constitution and laws of the state."

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Accavitti, Mayes, Angerer, Brown, Clemente, Ebli, Hammon, Hopgood, Lemmons, Lindberg, Melton, Miller, Nofs, Palsrok, Garfield, Huizenga, Moolenaar, Horn, Opsommer. (19/19)

Nays: None. (0/19)

Pass: None. (0/19) (19/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Brown made a motion to report HB 5384 (H-1) with recommendation.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Accavitti, Mayes, Angerer, Brown, Clemente, Ebli, Hammon, Hopgood, Lemmons, Lindberg, Melton, Miller, Nofs, Palsrok, Garfield, Huizenga, Moolenaar, Horn, Opsommer. (19/19)

Nays: None. (0/19)

Pass: None. (0/19) (19/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

There being no additional business before the Committee, Chair Accavitti declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 9:46 a.m.

Representative Frank Accavitti, Jr., Chair

Catherine Petroskey, Committee Clerk
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